GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
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EXPORT OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a great demand of Indian agricultural products, fruits, vegetables etc. in the world;

(b) if so, whether the Government have undertaken any study to identify the countries where these are in great demand;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the agricultural commodities exported during each of the last two years; and

(e) the incentives proposed by the Government to the farmers of these commodities?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a) to (c):The world demand for agricultural products including fruits and vegetables varies from time to time depending on various factors. Exports of agricultural products is continually reviewed by on an ongoing basis by the Government through its agencies.

(d) Agricultural commodities exported during the last two years include cereals, poultry & dairy products, floriculture products, tobacco unmanufactured & manufactured, spices, sugar, mollases, cashew, oilmeals & oilseeds, shellac, fruits & vegetables, meat & its preparations, cotton, tea and coffee etc.

(e) The Government provide a variety of incentives in the form of financial and other assistance to the farmers through its agencies such as Commodity Boards, Authorities etc.